

Remarks

The Restriction Requirement mailed July 12, 2004 has been received and carefully considered. The restriction was applied to claims 1-30, however, the Preliminary Amendment filed August 28, 2003 canceled claims 1-30 and added new claims 31-59. The current amendment cancels claims 31-59 and adds new claims 60-67. The new claims are directed to an emboli capturing system and retrieval device.

A species election was required from among the 14 species listed. Applicants hereby elect species 14, drawn to FIGS. 24A-24C. Pending claims 60-67 are directed to the embodiment of FIGS. 24A-24C.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at 612-677-9050.

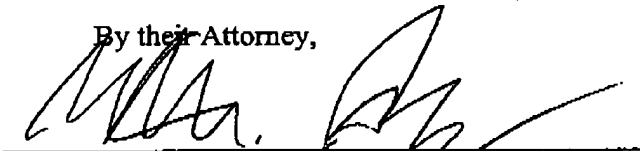
Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M.K. DANIEL ET AL.

By their Attorney,

Date:

Aug. 9, 2004



Glenn M. Seager, Reg. No. 36,926

Customer No. 28075

CROMPTON, SEAGER & TUFTE, LLC

1221 Nicollet Avenue, Suite 800

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403-2420

Tel: (612) 677-9050

Fax: (612) 359-9349